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# ORGANIZATION OF PEOPLE'S SOVIETS IN BULGARIA

ORGANIZATION OF OKRUG, OKOLIYA, URBAN, AND RURAL PEOPLE'S SOVIETS -- Sofia, Izvestiya, 31 Jul, 14 Aug 53

The following general outline of the sections constituting the various people's soviets was taken from Decree No 446 of the Council of Ministers, published in the 31 July and 14 August issues of Izvestiya. The decree sets forth the new organization of okrug, okoliya, urban, and rural people's soviets. The decree is of special interest because it is the first detailed report on the structure of Bulgarian local governments which has been seen in FDD.

#### Okrug People's Soviets

Okrug people's soviets consist of the following sections:

Executive Committee (Izpulnitelen komitet)

Organization and Instruction Section (Organizatsionno-instruktorski

otdel)

Cadre Section (Otdel "Kadri")

Legal Services of the Executive Committee (Pravnite sluzhbi pri izpulkomite)

State Arbitration \_Unit (Durzhaven arbitrazh)

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Agriculture Section (Otdel "Selsko stopanstvo")

Communal Economy Section (Otdel "Komunalno stopanstvo")

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Local Industry and Trades Section (Otdel "Mestna industriya i zanayati")
Trade Section (Otdel "Turgoviva")

Public Health and Social Welfare Section (Otdel "Narodno zdrave i sotsialni grizhi")

Public Education Section (Otdel "Nardona prosveta")

Education and Culture Section (Otdel "Prosveta i Kultura")

Committee for Physical Culture and Sport (Komitet za fizkultura i sport)

Planning Section (Otdel "Planov")

General Services Section (Otdel "Obshti sluzhbi")

# Okoliya People's Soviets

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Okoliya people's soviets consist of the following sections:

Executive Committee

Organization and Instruction Service (sluzhba)

Cadre Service

Agriculture Section

Communal Economy Section

Trade Section

Public Health and Social Welfare Section

Public Education Section

Education and Culture Section

Committee for Physical Culture and Sport

Planning Section

Military Accounting Bureau (Voenno-otchetno byuro)

### Urban People's Soviets

1. Urban people's soviets directly under the jurisdiction of okrug people's soviets consist of the following sections:

Executive Committee

Organization and Instruction Service

Cadre Unit (otdelenie)

Legal Services of the Executive Committee

Housing Commission (Zhilishtna komisiya)

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Communal Economy Section

Local Industry and Trades Section (in Plovdiv, Ruse, Pleven, Stalin, Burgas, and Stara Zagora Only)

Trade Section

Public Health and Social Welfare Section

Public Education Section

Education and Culture Section

Committee for Physical Culture and Sport

Planning Section

Military Accounting Bureau

General Services Section

Urban people's soviets directly under the jurisdiction of okoliya people's soviets consist of the following units:

Military Accounting Bureau

Trade Unit

Commission (pulnomoshtinchestvo)

### Rural People's Soviets

No sections listed. 7

These people's soviets also include commissions, headed by commissioners (pulnomoshtnik)

PEOPLE'S SOVIETS IN BULGARIA -- Sofia, Novo Vreme, May 53

The people's soviets /elected on 14 December 1952/ include 5,905 blue-collar workers, 29,348 farmers, 19,496 white-collar workers, and 4,887 scientists, artists, householders, artisans, etc. Of the 279 deputies of the Sofia Urban People's Soviet, 59 are blue-collar workers, 89 are white-collar workers, 37 are social and political figures, 16 are scientists and artists, 5 are farmers, 6 are householders, and 37 are of various professions.

Thus far, over 65,000 persons have been incorporated in the work of permanent commissions (postoyanna komisiya) attached to people's soviets. The success in the work of people's soviets depends greatly on the effort of these commissions.

The Law on People's Soviets went into effect in February 1948; the new Law on People's Soviets became effective in 1951.

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